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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the office action mailed on March 1, 1999, the period for response to which has been extended to September 1, 1999, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the remarks below:

Remarks

In the office action mailed March 1, 1999, the examiner rejected all of the claims, claims 1-4, as obvious over Yamamoto et al., in view of either Meyer or Naruo, and Norton.

The examiner's rejection of claims 1-4 for obviousness is respectfully traversed. Yamamoto describes a filter material,